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**Elba Interim Police Chief says solution desperately needed to keep/recruit officers**

## Officers working 140-150 hours every two weeks due to understaffing

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Elba City Council members received a pretty clear message Monday evening, June 24, that something has to be done monetarily to retain and recruit officers for the city.

"I didn't bring any stats or anything today to give you," Interim Police Chief Shayne Arnett said to council members. "I wanted to let you know we are losing two more officers. I have two more that have turned in their notices, which means we are down to only eight."

At fully staffed, the department would have 15 total, according to Arnett. He said there are right now 10 on staff, but one of those is out on medical leave and another is out on military leave knocking the staff down to eight.

"It takes eight just to run the department," Arnett said. "We are working 140-150 hours every two weeks, and we are tired. It is getting to where everyone is tired of



Elba Interim Police Chief Shayne Arnett is shown speaking at Monday evening's Elba City Council meeting. He expressed concern over the department's depleted staff, which has led to an abundance of overtime for the few that remain with the department.

working all the time."

Besides the two that have just recently turned in their notices, Arnett said he may have two additional officers turn in notices as well.

"We've got to figure out a solution," he said.

Mayor Tom Maddox said the interim chief and city

clerk Sally Bane had been talking about possible solutions. Bane presented each council member with a copy of the Coffee County Sheriff's Office pay scale.

"We are not saying this would be the answer, but we are hoping this might get us closer to the answer," she

said.

Bane said the city's previous administration did away with a pay scale for the police department, which has led to some of the current frustrations for the officers.

"We need a pay scale back in place," she said. "No pay scale leaves no structure for hiring, and we need structure."

Bane and Arnett said while people will say they do not tell others what they make, ultimately, they do reveal such things. Bane said that leads to very frustrated officers. She said when there is an officer that has been working with the department for 15 years only make 40 cents per hour than another officer that has been with the department only a year, it creates a disgruntled atmosphere.

"If we could get close to the county's pay scale, we

feel like we could give ourselves a fighting chance," Bane said. "We just don't feel like we have a choice. We have to figure out how we get there."

Bane and Arnett said the city is anywhere from \$3-4 under where it needs to be to be compatible with other agencies in paying officers.

**"We are working 140-150 hours every two weeks, and we are tired," Interim Police Chief Shayne Arnett said. "It is getting to where everyone is tired of working all the time."**

"The overtime is killing us," Bane said. "If we were better staffed and could cut down on

overtime, the dollars in the salary column wouldn't change much now if we got on this pay scale because of what we are paying in overtime now."

Arnett added, "Overtime is great for a while, but it has gotten old. This is my eighth

day in a row working 12-hour shifts, and I won't get a break until Saturday."

Bane said the officers are getting burned out, and the overtime money is simply not worth it.

"This may not be the pay scale you want, but it gives us something to get started with to get our own pay scale in place that is compatible" Arnett said.

Council member A R Williams said he agrees with getting back to a pay scale. He also believes there should be a pay differential between the day and night shifts.

Council members agreed to hold a workshop on the matter prior to the July 8th council meeting. Between now and that workshop, Bane and Arnett would continue to gather information to help council members decide on a pay scale for the department.

The council indicated it hoped to vote on the matter at the July 8th meeting to offer better pay options for Elba's police officers.

## Elba City Council approves resolutions for Jack's project

The City of Elba held a public hearing Monday evening, June 24, for the proposed Jack's Restaurant to be constructed in Elba, and there was no one in attendance opposing the matter.

Shortly after the public hearing, the Elba City Council entered its regular bimonthly meeting where two resolutions were unanimously approved by council members regarding the Jack's project.

With the first resolution, the council approved the authorization, execution and delivery of the Development Agreement between the City of Elba and Jack's Family Restaurants. The second resolution authorized the issuance of the City's Series 2024-A limited obligation

certificate of indebtedness regarding the project development agreement.

The approval of these two resolutions allows the Jack's project to move forward in the City of Elba.

Jim Avery, vice president of development for Jack's, was in attendance for the public hearing and council meeting Monday evening, and he said Jack's is excited to locate in Elba. He said the current plan is to have the Elba location open in late Spring 2025.

Elba Mayor Tom Maddox said construction of the restaurant is expected to begin late 2024.

"You can certainly begin construction earlier if you want," Maddox said to Avery.

## "Let Freedom Ring" set for Thursday, July 4th, in Elba

The Elba Chamber of Commerce is busy planning this year's edition of the "Let Freedom Ring" Fourth of July celebration.

Once again, the event will feature a golf cart parade around the square to get the activities kicked off, beginning at 6 p.m.

Line up for the parade will be held near the Elba Public Library at 5:30 p.m.

Elba's own Bill Brueckner will again bring his band, Blind Skeleton, to his hometown to perform in concert. Prior to Blind Skeleton's performance, The Saddle Hill Band will open the evening's entertainment.

The event also will

include plenty of food and more throughout the evening for all to enjoy.

Elba Chamber director Sandy Williams said Troy Bank and Trust will sponsor the inflatables for kids this year at no charge. The Elba Masonic Lodge also will be providing free watermelon for all to enjoy while celebrating the nation's independence.

The highlight of the night will again be the fireworks display at 9 p.m. This is done annually by Elba native Mike Holderfield.

"Mike provides one of not the best fireworks show around," Williams said. "It is always a wonderful show for all to see!"

Williams said the fireworks show this year is being sponsored by Ben E. Keith Foods.

"We encourage all to come out and enjoy the night's festivities," Williams said. "The event seems to grow each year, and we love celebrating America here in Elba. Bring your lawn chairs to sit and relax the music and fireworks!"

The event is held on Elba's downtown square. There is no charge to attend.



Elba Board of Education members are shown during Monday's called meeting where the start date for acting superintendent Ted Watson was amended to immediate. Following that action of the board, Watson made several hiring recommendations for the board to approve. The board members are shown listening to Watson as he speaks during the board meeting where he acknowledged that outgoing superintendent Chris Moseley had done a good job for the system the past nine years. He said it is unusual for a superintendent to stay that long at a system these days.

## Elba BOE amends start date for acting superintendent

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Elba Board of Education met Monday, June 24, at noon for a called meeting of the board during which the start date of the acting superintendent was changed to immediate.

Board president Johnny Senn asked for a motion to amend the start date of Ted Watson as acting superintendent for Elba City Schools from July 1st to immediately Monday. The motion to do so was passed unanimously.

Senn said Watson had been with Andalusia City Schools in some capacity since 1990, and he had previously served as superintendent there for 11 years.

"He has a great resume," Senn said.

Watson thanked the board for the opportunity to serve as the acting superintendent.

"This has always been a place of great pride," he said. "You've always held the banner high, and I look forward to working with you all."

Watson immediately went to work in making some personnel recommendations for the board's approval.

For the elementary school, board members voted to hire Jenrette Auter as a special education teacher along with Madison McCormick



**Ted Watson is now serving as acting superintendent of Elba City Schools**

and Leanne Pugh as special education aides.

For the Elba Career Academy, board members approved the recommendation of Adam Godwin to be hired as the JAG instructor.

Also, upon recommendation, the board approved the transfer of Kelinda Griffin from her spot as a special education aide at the elementary school to special education aide at the high school.

Also, during the meeting, board attorney Merrill Shirley presented a packet to the board for the posting of the superintendent's vacancy to begin the search for a replacement superintendent for Elba City Schools. This also included a timeline for the overall process.

Once posted, the vacancy will be listed for 30 days. After all applications are received, those will be reviewed and narrowed down before the board announces the top candidates.

Upon request of the attorney,

the board president announced that Monday's meeting served as the time to notify the public the Elba Board of Education is pursuing to hire a superintendent to fill the upcoming vacancy [the contract of Chris Moseley expires Oct. 31st].

Also, Senn announced with board approval he would file notification and application of the search process as required.

The board then approved a motion to accept and authorize the filing of the notification and application.

Prior to adjourning the

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### NOTICE:

**The Elba Clipper office will be closed next Thursday and Friday, July 4 & 5, for the Independence Day holiday. This office closure for the holiday will not affect paper deadlines.**

## Area Happenings

**The Elba Chamber of Commerce will host its Annual Awards Banquet** on Thursday evening, June 27, at the National Security Conference Center. Social time will be at 6 p.m. with dinner served at 6:30 p.m. The guest speaker will be Lt. Governor Will Ainsworth. To purchase tickets, call (334) 897-3125.

**City of Elba offices will be closed** Thursday, July 4, and Friday, July 5, for the Independence Day holiday.

**The Elba Evergreen Cemetery Board will meet** Thursday, July 11, at 6 p.m., at Elba City Hall. This meeting is open to the public.



Chris Moseley was honored Monday, June 24, at the end of the Elba BOE meeting for his years of service to the Elba City School System. Those in attendance for the meeting were invited to enjoy a piece of cake in Moseley's honor. While he is no longer working as superintendent of Elba City Schools, he remains on contract through the end of October.



# EDITORIAL

## Elba Police Report

This report reflects activity for the Elba Police Department from Monday, June 17, 2024, through Monday, June 24, 2024, as reported to and dispatched from the Coffee County 911 Dispatch Center –

**Monday, June 17** – Suspicious person reported on Larkin Rd near National Guard building (1:24 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at 100 Beaver Dam St (5:07 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 429 Plant Ave (11:05 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported on Garrett St (11:33 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in a written warning.

**Tuesday, June 18** – Reckless driver reported on Hwy 167 (3:33 a.m.); Traffic accident reported on Cty Rd 401 (4:30

a.m.); Shoplifter reported at 638 Claxton Ave N (3:04 p.m.); Assault reported at 615 Jackson Ave (5:55 p.m.); Prowler reported on Kendrick St (8:49 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 608 Kendrick St (9:15 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 608 Kendrick St (9:29 p.m.); Animal complaint reported on Cedar Lane Dr (11:46 p.m.). Four traffic stops resulted in one no action taken, one verbal warning, one citation, and one written warning.

**Wednesday, June 19** – Suspicious person reported at 608 Kendrick St (1:26 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 421 Adkinson Ave (6:04 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 261 Plant Ave (6:58 p.m.); Reckless driver reported

on Martin Luther King Dr (9:17 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Cedar Lane Dr (9:54 p.m.). Three traffic stops resulted in written warnings.

**Thursday, June 20** – Suspicious vehicle reported at 997 Winston Ave (11:00 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 611 Claxton Ave N (11:11 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at Hwy 87 and Davis St (11:51 p.m.).

**Friday, June 21** – Animal complaint reported at 5836 County Rd 364 (8:07 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 638 Claxton Ave N (9:44 a.m.); Burglary reported at 14147 Hwy 84 (11:09 a.m.). One traffic stop resulted in an arrest.

**Saturday, June 22** – Trespassing/Unwanted Guest reported at 261 Plant Ave (4:19 p.m.); River rescue requested (8:56 p.m.).

**Sunday, June 23** – Theft of property reported at 5836 County Rd 364 (10:05 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 702 Hwy 203 (10:55 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 419 Plant Ave (2:19

p.m.); Lost/Found property reported at 3484 county Rd 410 (3:48 p.m.); Reckless driver reported at 661 Davis St E (4:58 p.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 567 County Rd. 401 (5:33 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in one citation.

**Monday, June 24** – Animal complaint reported at 5836 Taylor Mill Rd (7:59 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 119 Champ McCollough Dr (8:02 a.m.); Animal complaint reported on Boswell St (8:28 a.m.); Fraudulent use of a credit/debit card reported at 2210 Taylor Mill Rd (10:59 a.m.); Traffic accident reported on Claxton Ave N (11:39 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 441 Plant Ave (1:10 p.m.); Harassment reported at 1242 Jones Circle (1:52 p.m.); Animal complaint reported on Boswell St (4:14 p.m.); Noise complaint reported at 1133 Oak Ave – w/verbal warning issued (8:07 p.m.); Animal complaint reported on Cedar Lane Dr (10:56 p.m.). Two traffic stops resulted in citations.

## Windy Thoughts

with Linda Hodge, Editor

Who's ready for some JJ's BBQ? We are!! If you'll notice the advertisement on this page, the re-opening of JJ's BBQ is set for Monday morning, July 1, at 10 a.m. There will be a ribbon cutting at the new restaurant, which was constructed after a fire destroyed the original location of JJ's. This has been a long-awaited re-opening for all who enjoy Ms. Chequita Walker's scrumptious menu items. We will be at the ribbon cutting Monday morning, and fully anticipate enjoying some JJ's barbecue that day!!

The Elba City Council was hit with the hard reality this week that if they don't do something to improve pay for the city's police officers...well, Elba could soon be a city with little or no police protection. Interim Police Chief Shayne Arnett told council members during this week's meeting that the already depleted department is losing two more officers to other agencies. The reason... they can get much better pay elsewhere. Apparently, the city got rid of its "pay scale" for the department during the previous administration, which has helped create issues now for the department. The starting pay at Elba well below other local departments too, according to information provided to city council members. All this has led to the department being well under fully staffed, which results in those who are working having to work many, many overtime hours. Quite frankly, those officers working so much overtime are tired! After hearing Arnett speak on the matter, we can believe they are tired. It is past time for the council to do something to help the police department be able to retain and/or recruit officers. Sometimes you gotta pay out the pocket, and this is one of those times when the city leaders must figure out a way to pay more to get and keep police officers. The officers deserve the pay, and the citizens deserve the protection. Let's hope the work session the council plans to hold on the topic in early July will be a successful one that will lead to better days ahead for our Elba Police Department.

Bringing a Jack's restaurant got a step closer earlier this week. A public hearing was held at Elba City Hall on Monday evening regarding Jack's. There were no citizens in attendance opposing the matter. During the council meeting that followed the public hearing, two resolutions were passed by city leaders to help get the Jack's project moving forward. We had a bit of time to speak with the vice president of development for Jack's, and he is excited to see this project move forward. He told us the company expects to have the new Jack's open and operational sometime late Spring 2025.

Elba also has a new fireworks business. T&T Fireworks, has opened a location in Elba (see advertisement on this page). The business opened last year in Kinston, and the owners have decided now to expand to Elba. The fireworks business is owned by Toby Blair and Mark Boothe. We don't know Mr. Boothe, but we do personally know Toby Blair. He is a really good Christian person, and we hope only the best for this expanded venture to Elba. Go see the T&T Fireworks gang this 4th of July and beyond. They are sure to treat you right!!

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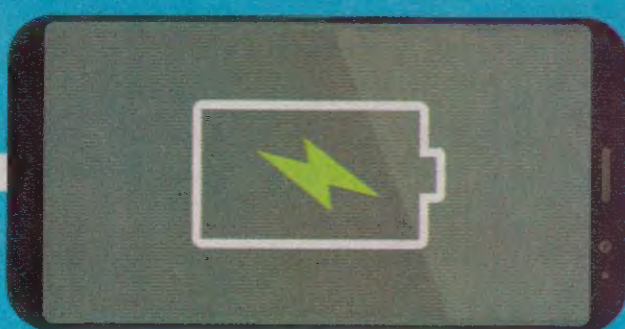
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The Luncheon Pilot Club of Enterprise recently installed officers for 2024-25. President Debbie Shelton presented each member with a small hand trowel and a packet of seeds to remind them of Pilot's efforts to plant seeds of goodwill in our community and in our world. Leslie Adams, a LPCE member, served as the installing officer. From left: Caroline Gebhart, Asst. Projects Chair, Bonnie Gilmore, Membership Chair, Brandy Woodham, Fundraising Chair, Jane Baxley, Treasurer, Debbie Godfrey, Secretary, President-Elect, Julie Mills, President, Debbie Shelton, and installing officer, Leslie Adams. For more information about the Luncheon Pilot Club, contact Bonnie Gilmore at bonjean4260@gmail.com.

## Governor award funds for 'Middle-Mile' broadband service to communities in 24 Alabama counties

Governor Kay Ivey on Tuesday announced she has awarded nearly \$53.5 million to continue the expansion of high-speed internet service in Alabama.

The grant awarded to the Alabama Fiber Network, a coalition of electric and generation/transmission cooperatives, will help develop the second phase of the state's "middle-mile" broadband network deployment. The project will impact 24 Alabama counties.

Middle-mile projects are designed to fill the gaps in broadband expansion to make it more cost-effective

and less labor intensive for providers to extend broadband services to businesses and households in the state.

"This project will add approximately 1,095 miles of high-speed middle-mile broadband for our communities, and it will connect approximately 120 community anchors, like educational institutions, medical facilities, local government offices and police and fire departments to this service," said Governor Ivey. "Just as important, it puts us closer in Alabama to ensuring that everyone has access to this fundamental service."

This latest grant under the

Alabama Anchor Institution/Middle-Mile Program will provide high-speed connectivity in Baldwin, Coffee, Colbert, Covington, Dale, Dallas, DeKalb, Elmore, Etowah, Franklin, Hale, Jefferson, Lee, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Limestone, Madison, Marshall, Mobile, Montgomery, Perry, Russell, Tuscaloosa and Walker counties.

The project will bring more than 7,500 unserved businesses and residences within five miles of high-speed internet connectivity. Funding for this latest middle-mile project came from an allocation from the state's share of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

# Obituaries

Obits are updated regularly on our website: [www.elba-clipper.com](http://www.elba-clipper.com)

**MARTHA EDWARDS**  
Ms. Martha Edwards of Elba, Alabama died Tuesday, June 11, 2024.

Funeral services were held Saturday June 15, 2024, at Bethlehem Baptist Church with Coleman Funeral Home and Crematory of Elba directing.

Martha Ann was born April 11, 1948 to the late Brewton and Mae Pearl Henderson. She worked at Covington and Kleiner's for many years as a seamstress.

She was preceded in death by all her siblings: Annie Siler, Junnie Mae Teague, Annie Lee Campbell, Willie, Charles, Joe and Benjamin Henderson.

Survivors include her six children: Glory Edwards, Martha Edwards, Terri Parham, Douglas (Alice) Edwards, Scotty Edwards and Minister Samantha (Deacon Jimmy) Morris; a stepson: Effriam (Bridgett) Tyson; 15 grandchildren: Cherelle Edwards, Chimere (Joseph) Davis, Latyrus (Willie) McClain, Steven Edwards, Daris (Marylin) Edwards, Tyrease Edwards, Larodis Edwards, Sharquarius (Kealvin) Baker, Mercedes Edwards, Shamiyah Edwards, Carrissa Edwards, Anthony (Melissa) Edwards, Jimmy (Nijah) Morris, Channing (Cordeshia) Morris and

James (Shymetrica) Morris; a sister-in-law: Ollie Henderson; special caregiver and good friend: Minister Barbara Hill; and a host of great-grandchildren, great great-grandchildren, relatives and friends.

**ROBERT DEWAYNE BECK**

Mr. Robert Dewayne Beck, age 66, of Brundage, Ala., died Thursday, June 20, 2024, at his home in Brundage.

A visitation was held Sunday, June 23, 2024, at Hayes Funeral Home in Elba.

Survivors include his wife: Debbie Lynn Beck, Brundage; sons: Curtis (Bridgett) Beck, Brundage, Justin (Shayla) Beck, Elba, Robert (Chelsey) Beck Jr., Brundage, Keny (Misty) Stranton, Opp, Ala.; daughter: Debra K Beck, Elba; brothers: Ronald Beck, of Fla., and Billy Beck, of La.; along with

15 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

**YOUNG ZION GRIFFIN**  
Mr. Young Zion Griffin, age 84, of Samson, Ala., died Thursday, June 20, 2024, at his home in Samson.

Memorial services were held June 24, 2024, from Love's Way Church with Rev. Lamar Wood and Rev. Paul Cardwell officiating. Hayes Funeral Home of Elba directed the services.

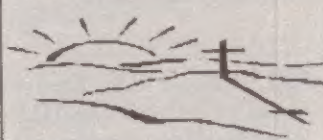
Mr. Griffin was preceded in death by his son - Jerry Griffin, and daughter - Pebbles Griffin.

Survivors include his wife: Gloria Griffin, Samson; sons: Gregory Young (Arlene) Griffin, Big Lake, Mich., and Dale (Cindy) Griffin, Georgetown, Ga.; along with five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.



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meeting, acting superintendent Watson invited those in attendance to enjoy refreshments and offer well-wishes to outgoing superintendent Chris Moseley.

"Nine years ago, I had the opportunity to come over here and meet the guy named Chris Moseley," Watson said. "He has done the system a good job over the past nine years. It is not an easy job."

Watson added that super-

intendent's this day and time don't last long. He said two and a half years actually is the average.

"So anybody who makes it past that...it is a huge feat in itself," Watson said. "I'd like to congratulate Mr. Moseley and wish him well. I know we have a cake and some peanuts. Enjoy those, shake his hand, and let him know how much you've appreciated him over the years."

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## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The City of Elba will hold a public hearing on July 8, 2024 at 5:15 p.m. at the City Hall located at 200 Buford Street, Elba, Alabama. The City will discuss the proposed submission of an application for the Fiscal Year 2024 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). The City is interested in obtaining all citizens' input on community development needs within the city. The City needs as much local participation as possible in order to reflect the true desires of the community as a whole, as well as the comments relating to the proposed project application. The State has established a maximum application request for each category. Activities that are eligible for funding include the improvement of public works, public facilities, housing rehabilitation, and others allowed by law. At least 51% of the funds must be used to benefit low and moderated income persons. No displacement of persons will be proposed. The project, if funded, will benefit a majority of low and moderate income persons.

For more information, or if you require special accommodations at the hearing, please contact city officials at (334) 897-2333 prior to the public hearing.

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An important step is to enlist the help of a funeral home director. Make sure you get planning underway before making any sort of formal announcement about the location of the funeral or memorial service. Only publish the obituary once confirmation is received about availability of a church, funeral home, or other locations. In the obituary, you will want to specify the time and location of the memorial service, but before doing so it is critical to confirm the availability of the venue in question along with any necessary vendors, such as an officiant or caterer. This is something a funeral home director can assist with.

In addition, funeral home directors are skilled in sensitively, compassionately discussing matters related to death. During a season of grief, you may have a hard time articulating the passage of your loved one, but a funeral home director can be invaluable in helping you craft a message.

As for social media etiquette, the most important thing is to abstain from posting online until you have had a chance to speak directly with family members and other important people. Ensure that you make specific, one-on-one announcements before you make any kind of a more general update.

Telling others about the death of a loved one is never easy, but even so: following the right protocol is important. Speak with your funeral director about any questions.

If you would like a free funeral decisions guide, please email me at [hayeshf@hayesfuneralhome.net](mailto:hayeshf@hayesfuneralhome.net)

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This sale is made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, as well as the expenses of foreclosure. This sale is subject to postponement or cancellation.

**Kent D. McPhail**  
**McPhail Sanchez, LLC**  
**Counsel for Mortgagee/Transferee**  
126 Government Street  
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#### IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of **Ewell Heath, Deceased**  
Case No. 8716

#### NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary of said deceased have been granted to Nicky Joel Heath, Personal Representative, on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024 by the Honorable Toby L. Seay, Judge of Probate Court, Geneva County, Alabama. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Toby L. Seay  
Judge of Probate

Alfred J. Danner  
Attorney for Petitioner  
P.O. Box 33  
Geneva, AL 36340  
6/13,20&27-pd.

#### IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF **BILLY WAYNE GOOLSBY, DECEASED**  
CASE NO. 24-742

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, by the Hon. Toby Seay, Judge of the Probate Court of Covington County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Thomas A Blackstock Jr.  
Thomas A. Blackstock Jr.  
Attorney for John M. Goolsby,  
Personal Representative  
6/13,20&27-pd.

#### IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: **THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TYRON POWELL, DECEASED**  
CASE NO.: PR-2024-082

#### NOTICE TO FILE CLAIMS

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of **TYRON POWELL**, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama. Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate that they are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or they will be barred.

/s/ Carmen L. Powell  
Carmen L. Powell  
Personal Representative of said Estate  
6/13,20&27-pd.

#### IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The estate of **MAURICE C. HIMES, Deceased**  
Case No.: 24-745

#### NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary of the Estate of Maurice C. Himes, deceased, have been granted to Crystal Pagni, on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, by the Honorable Toby Seay, Judge of the Probate Court of Geneva County, Alabama. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Preston Register  
Attorney for Petitioner  
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256 Honeysuckle Road,  
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Dothan, Alabama  
(334) 678-0100  
[pres@unity-law.com](mailto:pres@unity-law.com)  
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#### IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

THE ESTATE OF **MICHAEL EDWARD DAVIS, DECEASED**  
CASE NO. 2024-741

#### NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, by the Honorable Toby L. Seay, Judge of the Probate Court of Geneva County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Rebecca Davis,  
Personal Representative  
Estate of Michael Edward Davis

c/o Hamp Baxley  
Ramsey, Baxley &  
McDougle  
P.O. Drawer 1486  
Dothan, AL 36302  
[MHB@RBM.law](mailto:MHB@RBM.law)  
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#### IN THE PROBATE OFFICE OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF **JOHN LAMAR STEWART, Deceased**  
CASE NO: PC-2022-078 A AND B

#### PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE'S NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

STATE OF ALABAMA  
COFFEE COUNTY

To: All the heirs at law and next of kin of John Lamar Stewart

Notice is hereby given that on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, came Elaine Oglesby Hogan, as Personal Representative/Administrator of the Estate of John Lamar Stewart, deceased, and filed a Petition, account and vouchers, for final settlement of said Estate.

It is ORDERED that the 18<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024 at 9:00 o'clock a.m., be, and the same hereby is, appointed as the day for the hearing of the said petition and for the auditing and stating of said account, at which time all persons interested may appear and contest the same, if they desire to do so.

Witness my hand this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson  
Judge of Probate  
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## FOR PUBLICATION Case No. PR-2024-108

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The State of Alabama,  
Coffee County  
Probate Court  
Estate of: Helen Burrows,  
Deceased

Letters of Administration having been granted to the undersigned on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.  
**Kristin Waters Sullivan, Personal Representative**  
Elba Clipper – June 10, 2024  
Of Counsel:  
Waters Sullivan, LLC  
2 Twentieth Street North  
Suite 1350  
Birmingham, AL 35203  
6/13.20&27-pd.

## IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA Enterprise Division

IN RE: The estate of  
**DONNA GILMORE, Deceased.**  
CASE NO. PR 2024-104

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to TOM WEAVER, SR., as Personal Representative of the estate of Donna Gilmore, deceased on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee Thompson.  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.  
/s/ Gary D. Bradshaw  
Gary D. Bradshaw (BRA074)  
Attorney for Petitioner  
P.O. Box 311412  
Enterprise, AL 36331-1412  
(334) 393-6439 / (334) 393-7163 fax  
6/13.20&27-pd.

## IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF  
**THELMA H. MYERS, Deceased**  
CASE NO. PR-2024-106

## NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Wanda Rethorford, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Thelma H. Myers on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.  
/s/ Jodee R. Thompson  
Hon. Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge  
Joshua Pipkin  
Attorney for the Estate  
P.O. Box 310272  
Enterprise, AL 36331  
(334) 348-1562  
6/13.20&27-pd.

## IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF  
**LULA MERLENE FLOWERS, Deceased.**  
CASE NO: PC-2023-048B

## NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of June 2023 by the Honorable Jodee Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to

present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.  
Witness my hand this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024.

/s/ BOBBY JOE FLOWERS, II  
Personal Representative  
6/13.20&27-pd.

## IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF  
**THE ESTATE OF BOBBY COURSON, DECEASED**  
CASE NO.: PC-2024-010

## NOTICE

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.  
By: /s/ Mary Angeline Grimes  
Mary Angeline Grimes  
Administrator  
P.O. Box 128  
Kinston, AL 36453  
6/13.20&27-pd.

## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

CV-2024-900013.00  
**JOHN M. SIMS, Plaintiff,**  
vs.  
**FIRST AMERICAN HOME, INC. a/k/a FIRST AMERICAN HOMES, INC.,** a close corporation, **FLEETWOOD RETAIL CORP., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO FIRST AMERICAN HOMES, INC., AND FICTITIOUS DEFENDANTS**  
1 THROUGH 10, being those individuals or entities who/ which claim or assert ownership of an interest in the real property described as follows: A 6.5 acre parcel of land being a part of the SE ¼ of NE ¼ of S18, T4N, R20E, Coffee County, Alabama and being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the NW corner of said SE ¼ of NE ¼, fence post; TH S0 degrees 20'E, 628.44 feet along the W line of said SE ¼ of NE ¼ to a ½" iron pipe, the POB; TH N87 degrees 17'E, 5.66.55 feet to the W line of Coffee County Highway 25, a ½" iron pipe; TH S24 degrees 23'W, 342.05 feet (chord) along said W line; TH continue along said W line S21 degrees 36'W, 421.58 feet (chord); TH S87 degrees 17'W, 265.76 feet to the W line of said SE ¼ of NE ¼; TH N0degrees 20'W, 689.36 feet to the POB; and said real property, in rem, itself, Defendants.

## NOTICE TO DEFENDANTS STATED ABOVE OR ANY INTERESTED PARTIES

A quiet title complaint has been filed in the Circuit Court of Coffee County (Elba Division) bearing the above-styled case number. The complaint seeks to quiet title of the property described above and vest full right, title and interest in Plaintiff, John M. Sims. You must file an answer to the complaint with the Clerk of the Court, Coffee County, Elba Division (230M Court Ave., Elba, Alabama 36323) (and send a copy to the attorney for Plaintiff) by August 5, 2024. If you fail to answer by said date, a judgment by default may be rendered against you.  
/s/ Amy L Reeves  
Amy Reeves, Clerk of Court  
Plaintiff Attorney:  
R. Rainer Cotter, III, Esq.  
PO Box 310910  
Enterprise, Alabama 36331  
6/6.13.20&27-pd.

## MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Default having been made in the terms of that certain Mortgage, executed on the 08/20/2010, by Thomas Alton Boyles, unmarried and Carol Lee Delaney, unmarried, as Mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Embrace Home Loans, Inc. as Mortgagee, which

said Mortgage is recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Geneva County, Alabama, in OFFREC Book 735, Page 491 on 8/31/2010, and Modified in OFFREC Book 879, Page 233 recorded on 3/17/2015, and subsequently assigned to CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC and recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Geneva County, Alabama on 04/24/2018 in OFFREC Book 988, Page 187, and default having continued under the terms of said Mortgage, and by virtue of Alabama Code Section 35-10-3 and 35-10-2, the following described real property will be sold at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door of said County, during the legal hours of sale, on 07/23/2024.

THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF GENEVA, STATE OF ALABAMA IN DEED BOOK 375 AT PAGE 192 AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
LOTS 1 AND 2, BLOCK A, JORDAN SUBDIVISION, AS SHOWN ON PLAT OF SAME AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 114, OFFICE OF THE JUDGE OF PROBATE, GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA, TOGETHER WITH ALL IMPROVEMENTS SITUATED THEREON. Subject to all easements, restrictions and reservations appearing of record. Said sale will also be made subject to any Federal Tax Liens and/or Special Assessments of any nature, if any, which might adversely affect the title to the property. Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process. The property is being sold "as is, where is". Said property is sold without warranty or recourse, expressed or implied as to title, use or enjoyment.

This sale is made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, as well as the expenses of foreclosure. This sale is subject to postponement or cancellation.  
**Kent D. McPhail**  
**McPhail Sanchez, LLC**  
Counsel for Mortgagee/ Transferee  
126 Government Street  
Mobile, AL 36602  
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## IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
**WANDA ELAINE HILL, DECEASED**  
CASE NO.: PR-2024-110

## NOTICE TO FILE CLAIMS

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of WANDA ELAINE HILL, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama. Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate that they are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law for they will be barred.  
/s/ Lynnetta Faith Hill  
Lynnetta Faith Hill  
Personal Representative of said Estate  
6/20.27&7/4-pd.

## IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA Enterprise Division

In the Matter of:  
**The Petition for Adoption by: PATRICIA DAWSON**

To Adopt: **J.T.K.**  
CASE NO. PRA-2024-004

## NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

To: UNKNOWN FATHER

Notice is hereby given that Hon. D. Bruce McLean on behalf of the Petitioner,

Patricia Dawson, having filed a Petition for Adoption in the Probate Court of Coffee County, Enterprise Division, Alabama, in regards to J.T.K., date of birth: 12/13/2005. If you should have any reason why this Petition for Adoption should not be granted in this matter, you are required to contact Hon. D. Bruce McLean, Esq., within thirty (30) days if you contend to contest said Adoption. DONE this the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2024.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson  
Hon. Jodee R. Thompson  
Probate Judge  
Coffee County, Alabama  
6/20.27.7/4&11-chg.

## IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF:  
**C.R.G.M., Minor Child**  
CASE NO.: PC-2024-027

## NOTICE TO: UNKNOWN FATHER OF C.R.G.M.

You are hereby given notice that a petition has been filed by BAILEY MILLER requesting to change the name of the following child: **C.R.G.M.** whose date of birth is May 22, 2020. You are hereby given notice that you are required to file an Answer with the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, and with the Petitioner's attorney: **Hon. Alyse Fowler, Alyse Fowler Law, LLC, P.O. Box 130, Elba, Alabama 36323**, within fourteen (14) days of the date of the last publication of this notice or a default judgment can be entered against you. A hearing has been set for July 30, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the Probate Court of Coffee County, Elba Division, Alabama. DONE this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson  
Hon. Jodee R. Thompson  
Probate Judge, Coffee County, Alabama  
6/20.27.7/4&11-pd.

## IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of  
**Gloria W. Cross, Deceased**  
Case No. 24-770

## NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary of said deceased have been granted to Peggy W. Leeder, Personal Representative, on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024 by the Honorable Toby L. Seay, Judge of Probate Court, Geneva County, Alabama. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or same will be barred.  
/s/ Toby L. Seay  
Judge of Probate

Alfred J. Danner  
Attorney for Petitioner  
P.O. Box 33  
Geneva, AL 36340  
6/27.7/4&11-pd.

## IN THE PROBATE COURT GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF:  
**TERESA GALLAHER DECEASED**  
CASE NO.: 24-771

## NOTICE OF COURT PROCEEDINGS

Notice is hereby given that a Petition for Summary Distribution has been filed by Martin L. Gallaher on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, and that 30 days after the notice of publication hereof and pursuant to law the Court shall be requested to enter and order directing summary distribution of said estate of decedent.  
/s/ Toby L. Seay  
Toby L. Seay,  
Judge of Probate  
Attorney:  
H. Warren Cobb, Jr., Esq.  
Post Office Box 2047  
Dothan, Alabama 36302  
(334) 677-1000 Telephone  
(334) 699-3500 Facsimile  
6/27-pd

## IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF  
**VERNON A. ERICKSON, DECEASED,**  
**ANGELA ERICKSON ALLEN, PETITIONER.**  
CASE NO. 24-766

## ORDER AND NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is hereby given that a Petition for Summary Distribution has been filed by William S. Benton on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, and that 30 days after the notice of publication hereof and pursuant to law the Court shall be requested to enter an Order directing summary distribution of the estate of said decedent.  
Done this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024.  
/s/ Toby L. Seay  
Judge of Probate  
Attorney for Petitioner:  
Jeffery D. Hatcher  
Post Office Box 189  
Geneva, Alabama 3640  
6/27-pd.

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## IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF  
**EDWIN G. LEVEY, Deceased.**  
Case No.: 24-760

## IN THE MATTER OF EDWIN G. LEVEY, Deceased.

Letters Testamentary were granted to TIMOTHY LEVEY on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.  
Timothy Levey  
Personal Representative

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Timothy Levey  
Personal Representative

David F. Holmes, Attorney  
P.O. Box 1180  
Slocumb, AL 36375  
334-886-3123  
6/27.7/4&11-pd.

## IN THE CIRCUIT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA CIVIL ACTION NO: CV-2024-900059

**HENRY KAUFMAN, Plaintiff**  
v.  
A Parcel of Land in Geneva County, Alabama  
Being Parcel ID: 1303080000005006; in S8-T2N-R24E; BEG NW COR NE ¼ OF NW ¼, E 1122.43'; S 109.15'; E 195.97'; S'LY 100'; W 1299.81'; N 206.76' TO POB.

And any unknown parties who claim an interest to the lands.

## NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

To all persons or entities claiming any interest in the above described lands you are hereby notified that on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, a complaint to quiet title in rem was filed in the Circuit Court of Geneva County, Alabama by Henry Kaufman. All persons having an interest in said lands, claiming any title thereto or any encumbrance or lien thereon, are hereby directed to plead, answer or otherwise respond to the Complaint on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2024, or else at the expiration of 30 days thereafter suffer judgment by default to be rendered against them it being intended that this notice shall be used to perfect service against all parties who cannot be personally served with a copy of the Complaint.  
/s/ Ashley Powell  
Circuit Clerk,  
Geneva County, Alabama  
Circuit Court  
/s/ Joseph J. Gallo  
Joseph J. Gallo (GAL022)  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
451 North Daleville Avenue  
Suite 105  
Daleville, AL 36322  
6/27.7/4.11&18-pd.

## IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF  
**WILLIAM LEX LAWRENCE, DECEASED**  
DOCKET NO. 24-773

## IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF BRENDA HAMAMURA TO PROBATE THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM LEX LAWRENCE,

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Petition by Brenda Hamamura for the Probate of the Last Will and Testament of William Lex Lawrence, deceased, having been filed in the Probate Court of Geneva County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that a hearing has been set for the 6<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., at the Geneva County Probate Court located at 200 N. Commerce Street, Geneva, Alabama 36340. All persons having interest in this matter must appear at said time and place if not otherwise notified.  
Attorney for Petitioner:  
Benjamin S. Armstrong  
200 Grove Park Lane, Suite 670  
Dothan, Alabama 36305  
6/27.7/4.11&18-chg.

## NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OR ADMINISTRATOR

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, by the Hon. Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.  
/s/ Kerry Pawloski,  
Personal Representative  
6/27.7/4&11-pd.

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## DECEASED

To:  
David Lawrence  
Brenda Lawrence  
Mason Oakes  
Any and All Other Heirs of William Lex Lawrence

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/s/ Kerry Pawloski,  
Personal Representative  
6/27.7/4&11-pd.

## IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY DELORES WRIGHT, DECEASED

CASE NO. PR-2024-086

## NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY ADMINISTRATOR

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to Sherman L. Wright, Administrator, on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee Thompson, Judge of Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.  
/s/ Sherman Wright  
Sherman L. Wright  
/s/ Chase C. Jordan  
Chase C. Jordan  
Attorney for the Estate  
200 Grove Park Lane, Suite 670  
Dothan, Alabama 36305  
6/27.7/4&11-pd.

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CASE NO. PR-2024-086

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/s/ Sherman Wright  
Sherman L. Wright  
/s/ Chase C. Jordan  
Chase C. Jordan  
Attorney for the Estate  
200 Grove Park Lane, Suite 670  
Dothan, Alabama 36305  
6/27.7/4&11-pd.

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CHARLES C. DONALDSON, DECEASED

## IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE ALABAMA

CASE NO. PC 2024-029

## TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to ISAIAH TERRELL DONALDSON as Administrator of the Estate of CHARLES C. DONALDSON, deceased, on the day of June 17, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate of Coffee County, Alabama. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Isaiah Terrell Donaldson  
Administrator  
c/o April D. Wise, Esq.  
Attorney for the Administrator  
Balch & Bingham, LLP  
105 Tallapoosa Street, Suite 200  
Montgomery, AL 36104-2549  
6/27.7/4&11-pd.



## SPORTS NEWS

## Views From

## The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

**Both our grandsons continued to enjoy the summer** over the weekend as Lawson and his Mom went to Montgomery to ride the rapids at the Montgomery Whitewater Park and Cannon and his family went to a Montgomery Biscuits baseball game. I accompanied Lawson and Melissa and got tired just watching as they jumped in a raft with four other brave souls and over the course of ninety-minutes made five trips around the twists, turns and rapids along the park, while I did get to see some pictures of Cannon and Melanie as they watched the game, rode a train and visited with the Biscuits mascot. With another month still left before school starts I hope there are many more fun trips ahead!

**For what it is worth....**

\*\*\* **The big news in the world of college recruiting** was centered in Elba last week when Alvin Henderson announced he had a change of heart and flipped his commitment from Penn State to Auburn. The news grabbed the headlines all across the south and moved Auburn into the top five in recruits for the 2024 recruiting cycle, but wasn't really a surprise for most Elba Tiger fans as we all thought the Tiger running back would end up at Auburn, and couldn't really figure out why he ever committed to the Nittany Lions. As an Alabama fan I wish he had committed to the Crimson Tide. However, I think he is a good fit on the plains and should fit well into the style of offense Coach Hugh Freeze puts on the field. Okay, Alvin, now bring home another state title to Elba as a going away present.

\*\*\* **At most small schools** the only feeder programs for high school sports teams come from the town's recreation program, and if that is true down at Kinston, the Lady Bulldogs softball teams appear to be loaded for years to come! Kinston's girls won state Babe Ruth Softball crowns at both the '12 and Under' and '10 and Under' state tournaments over the weekend, and their success will no doubt make the already winning program at Kinston High better than ever. As a former recreation director and youth coach I have seen firsthand that learning how to play the game and learning how to win leads to success both on and off the field, and the Kinston girls that won state titles now know that hard work pays off and to be winners hard work is a must. Great job, girls!

\*\*\* **A 36-team seven-on-seven football tournament** was held last week in Troy and as expected the state's bigger teams all showed up and showed out. I talked with a coach at a local 2A school after the event and he laughed and said while his team did win a couple of games, it also had to compete against 7 Auburn and gave up 50 points in just two quarters of play. He admitted he told his players after the game that seven-on-seven wasn't really football since there are no linemen and no rushing the passer, but also explained to them the importance of competing, no matter the opponent, and that growth comes from experience. I really don't like seven-on-seven matchups for smaller schools, but it does break the routine of just another hot, summer practice, and if all coaches will adopt the attitude displayed by the coach I talked with maybe they are good for something after all.

\*\*\* **In closing....** It was great to see Elba Tiger golfer Trace Grantham chosen to compete in next month's North-South All-Star competition in Montgomery. Trace made the decision to concentrate on golf a few years back and just play one sport in high school, despite being a standout student-athlete in baseball and basketball, and the decision paid off as he will join other golfers from across the state at the annual 'All-Star' games. Elba's ultra-successful golf program is beginning to make a habit of sending its players to the annual event, and hopefully for years to come there will always be Tigers on the team. Congratulations, Trace, hit'em long and straight and remind everyone at the tournament just how the Tigers from Elba play golf every time they tee it up.

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## Flips commitment to Auburn

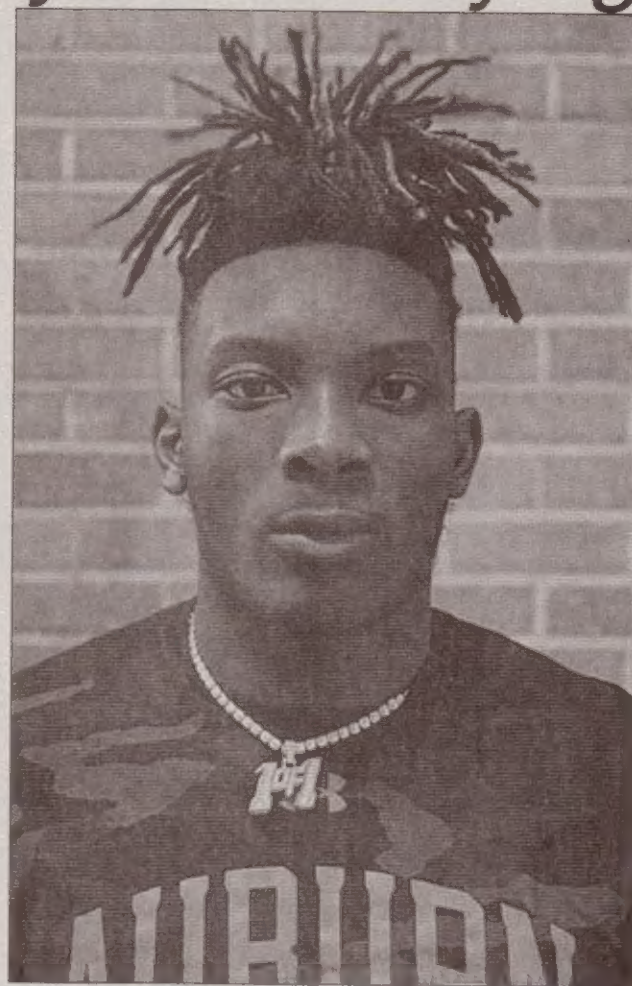
## Alvin says "I'm staying home"

Elba Tiger football standout Alvin Henderson announced last week that he changed his verbal commitment to Auburn University, flipping from Penn State, his original choice back in April.

Henderson, a four-star running back, stated the persistence of the Auburn coaching staff made the difference after the earlier commitment, especially from running back coach Derrick Nix and head coach Hugh Freeze.

In a published interview in The Dothan Eagle, Henderson said, "Ever since I committed to Penn State, Coach Freeze has texted me every day and Coach Nix has stayed in contact with me. The opportunity that was displayed to me in the situation of the running back room and being able to stay in the state of Alabama and have everybody to support me from my hometown and the entire state was important to me. Coach Freeze and me have talked almost every single day since June started, and he said how much he needed me."

"Coach Freeze never brought up the fact I could come there and be great, added Henderson, "he told me you are my guy and I



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need you. What do I got to do to get you here? His words to me were you could come here and be special."

Henderson, a 5-9, 190-pound running back, placed fourth in the voting for Mr. Football, in Alabama, after his junior season

after setting state high school records for rushing touchdowns in a season (61), rushing yards in a season (3,523) and points scored in a single season (4-08). A two-time Class 1A 'Back of the Year,' and two time Dothan Eagle 'Super 12 Player of the Year,' helped lead Elba at a 13-1 record and a spot in the Class 1A semifinals last season as he averaged 251.6 yards per game and 15.7 yards per carry.

In addition to the 61 rushing touchdowns, Henderson returned three kickoffs and two punts for touchdowns, and threw a touchdown pass to give him 68 total touchdowns, which tied another state record.

With one season left with the Tigers, Henderson has rushed for 7,274 yards and 132 touchdowns, which is an average of 191.4 yards per game since 2020. He has rolled up 8,190 all-purpose yards and 141 total touchdowns, including rushing, receiving, passing, kick returns and punt returns.

Henderson is rated by 247Sports as the #8 high school running back in the nation and the 11<sup>th</sup> ranked prospect in the state, regardless of position.

## Elba's Grantham named to 'South' all-star golf team

North-South All-Star squads for the upcoming 5th annual AHSAA North-South All-Star Boys' and Girls' Golf competition have been selected, and named to the South squad was Elba Tiger Trace Grantham.

Grantham, an upcoming senior, has been a part of the Tiger golf team for the past five years and has been a major contributor to the Tigers success as they won back-to-back state championships in 2021-2022, and placed second in 2023. This past season, Grantham placed in the Top 10 in individual scoring at the state tournament.

The four teams comprised of 2025 rising seniors were announced by Brandon Dean, Director of the Alabama High School Athletic Directors & Coaches Association (AHSADCA) recently.

The AHSADCA, which operates under the auspices of the Alabama High School Athletic Association (AHSAA) will also host all-star games in basketball, baseball, softball, volleyball, boys' and girls' soccer, cross country and tennis during the All-Star Week, July 15-18. All other all-star teams have already been announced.

2024 NORTH-SOUTH ALL-STAR GOLF

## TEAMS

## NORTH GIRLS' ALL-STAR ROSTER

Nevaeh Foster  
Alexandria High School  
Jazmin Conn  
Cullman High School  
Jaycee Berrong  
Geraldine High School  
Polly Kathryn McCrackin  
Hayden High School  
Morgan Hopper  
Hewitt-Trussville High School  
Morgan Maddox  
Homewood City Schools  
Savannah Sandlin  
Oneonta High School  
Carmen Britt  
Spain Park High School  
Saxon Skinner  
Tuscaloosa Academy  
Lucia Perez  
Westminster Christian Academy  
**NORTH GIRLS' COACHES**  
Craig Kiker  
Alexandria High School  
Ginger Willingham  
Mars Hill High School  
Keat Litton  
Spain Park  
(Administrative)

## SOUTH GIRLS' ALL-STAR ROSTER

Evelyn Tankersley  
Alabama Christian Academy  
Hannah Halverson

Auburn High School  
Rayla Pierce  
Gulf Shores High School  
Addison Fairley  
McGill-Toolen Catholic High School  
Adleigh Marshall  
Mobile Christian School  
Morgan Casey  
New Brockton High School  
Laurn Leonard  
Pike Road High School  
Lyndee Davis  
Smiths Station High School  
Emily Laurel Gottlieb  
St. Paul's Episcopal School  
Eden Pendleton  
Trinity Presbyterian School

## SOUTH GIRLS' COACHES

Alex Davis  
Smiths Station High School  
David Armstrong  
St. Paul's Episcopal School  
Jay Koziol  
UMS-Wright  
(Administrative)

## NORTH BOYS' ALL-STAR ROSTER

A.J. Bradford  
Athens Bible School  
Samuel Burns  
Briarwood Christian School  
William Drake



TRACE GRANTHAM

Cullman High School  
Davis Ray  
Fayetteville High School  
Jacob Lee  
Hoover High School  
Camden Mahathey  
Huntsville High School  
Braden Holt  
Madison County High School  
Jackson Skinner  
Mountain Brook High School  
Justin Lovoy  
Southside High School  
Cove McHugh  
Westbrook Christian School  
**NORTH BOYS' COACHES**  
Jonathan Hayes  
Cullman High School  
Keat Litton  
Spain Park - Admin.

## SOUTH BOYS' ALL-STAR ROSTER

Mac Moorer  
Alabama Christian Academy  
Luke Ferguson  
Bayside Academy  
Trace Grantham  
Elba High School  
Jonathan Steed  
Enterprise High School  
Ben Holland  
Smiths Station High School  
Ben Halverstadt  
Smiths Station High School  
Will Conwell  
St. Paul's Episcopal School  
Walter Hensley  
St. Paul's Episcopal School  
Thomas Floyd  
Montgomery Academy  
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# CHURCH & COMMUNITY

## Alberton Baptist Church plans Fun Day for Saturday, June 29

Alberton Baptist Church will host a Fun Day on Saturday, June 29, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

There will be a Bible Story, large water slide, kiddie pool, food, games, and crafts. Everyone is invited to attend and enjoy a day of fellowship and fun. You do not have to be a member to attend and enjoy the day.

Alberton Baptist Church

is located at 3633 Hwy. 134, Kinston, Ala. For more information, contact Pastor Will at (334) 308-7510.

**Worship at the Church of Your Choice!**

## Homecoming set for July 14th at Chestnut Grove Methodist Church

Chestnut Grove Methodist Church will celebrate Homecoming on Sunday, July 14, beginning at 10 a.m. Guest speaker will be Hunter Hughes. Special

music will be provided by Ernie Ray Keel, the Smiths, the Willing Vessels, and Derek Snellgrove.

Everyone is invited and welcome to attend.

## What does the Bible say about...The Bible?

Article written by Douglas Williams



"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work" (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

"Holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit" (2 Peter 1:21).

The Bible repeatedly shows us that the Bible is indeed the word of God. Inspiration is from a Greek word that means "God-breathed," which shows the transition of the mind of God to men that were directed, without error, by the Holy Spirit to write God's message to mankind. This means that God is the real author of the Bible.

Inspiration is difficult to explain, and is a concept that the human mind probably cannot completely understand. But God was able, in some way, to use men with their own writing abilities. At the same time God was in control so that the will of God's mind was transmitted to men as they wrote it (2 Corinthians 2:9-13).

The fact that we cannot fully understand some things about the Bible shows that, "We walk by faith, not by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:7). And the Bible says, "The secret things belong to the Lord our God, but these things which are revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law" (Deuteronomy 29:29).

God's revelation to us, that is free of error or contradiction, is the result of inspiration. God inspired, men wrote, so that the Bible is the verbally, and plenary (every word) inspired, inerrant, authoritative, word of God.

When we consider the lack of respect for God and His word, and the sinful condition of our world, we can realize the need for us to understand that the Bible is God's word. Obedience to the Bible is the only way sins can be forgiven; lives be elevated; and conduct changed for better as the Bible teaches.



## ROUND AND ABOUT w/ERIA'S DAUGHTER

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Scripture: Proverbs 22:8-9

**Thinking of You! Praying for You.**

Elder J.C. Rogers, Betty Moore, Rev. Stanley Woodfolk, Shane Williams, Karyn Kelley, Vincent Smith, Alan Belcher

**July Birthdays / Anniversaries**

Michael Martin 7/1  
Alonzo and Deana Cole 7/1 W.A.  
Rev. Lovell Martin 7/1  
Jackie Whitfield 7/1  
Grady and Brenda Brooks 7/2 W.A.  
Terrance Kelley 7/2  
Larry and Louvella Folmar 7/3 W.A.  
Arrian Henderson 7/3  
Priscilla Sanders 7/3  
Makayla D. Moore 7/6  
Min. Joyce Belcher Johnson 7/7

**Not Slow, But Patient**

Parents who threaten misbehaving children with repeated ultimatums, yet never follow through with punishment, are training their offspring to ignore all disciplinary warnings. They are creating individuals who will learn how to disregard authority and flaunt disobedience and whose actions will come to have far more serious consequences for society. Such methods are unhealthy and destructive, and they certainly do the children no favors. God's warnings to Israel were not empty threats. He always means what He says and says what He means. Though God takes no delight in the punishment of His beloved children (Ezekiel 33:11), He does chasten all whom He loves (Hebrews 12:6). That God's punishment is not always immediate has sometimes been misunderstood as indifference on His part.

Backsliders in Hosea's day allowed themselves to be lulled into complacency. They were lured into sinful unfaithfulness by what seemed to them an absence of retribution for

their transgressions. Like the scoffers described by Peter (2 Peter 3:3,4). They thought, "Nothing has changed; we see no reason to worry or to repent." Skeptics of our day also doubt they will ever have to pay the "wages of sin." Make no mistake - "pay-day" will come!

The unrepentant and the unforgiven "shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord" (2 Thessalonians 1:9). Remember, however, this is not how God wants to treat us. He "is long-suffering... not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9). -R.W.B.

**Question / Answer Section**  
Q/A for the Week of 6/27/24

Q: Peter told the house of Cornelius that \_\_\_\_\_ is no \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

A: God, respector, persons [Acts 10:34]

Q: Paul and Barnabas and others traveled to \_\_\_\_\_ to speak to the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ about the issue of circumcising Gentiles.

A: Jerusalem, Apostles, Elders [Acts 15:2]

**Thought to Remember**  
Jesus' coming changed an ordinary night into something extraordinary. He can do the same with our lives.

**Questions for the Week of 7/4/24**

Q: In the ninth year of King Hoshea the King of Assyria captured \_\_\_\_\_ (Damascus, Jerusalem, Samaria).

Q: God sent His servants, the (prophets, messengers, judges) to urge His people to turn from evil.

Q: Following his conversion, Saul stayed in Damascus and preached Christ in which place? (synagogues, homes, by the riverside)

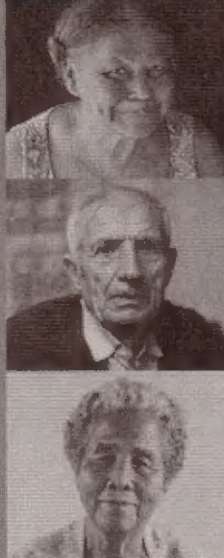
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Eria's daughter, Sue

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## Church Directory



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**ABOUNDING GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Rockey Pearce, Pastor  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

**ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH THOMSON, Ala.**  
Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor  
Wed. Night Service... 10:30 a.m.  
Wed. Night Service... 7:00 p.m.

**ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Will Jordan, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

**BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sam Self, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

**BETHEL AME CHURCH**  
Deborah A. Butler, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

**BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Class... 6:30 p.m.

**BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Greg Cotter, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Disciple Train... 5:30 p.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:30 p.m.

**BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

**BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Robert Davis, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.

**CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH**  
Remonia Smith, Pastor  
Church Service... 9:00 a.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays

**CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH**  
Larry Mills, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Night... 7:00 p.m.



**COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Paul Jackson, Pastor  
Sunday Fellowship... 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Wed. Night "Peak of the Week & meal"... 5:30 p.m.  
Bible Study & Prayer... 6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

**DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Steve Watson, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

**DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

**EANON BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Mark Ward, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:15 p.m.

**ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Bible Study... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.

**ELBA CHURCH OF GOD**  
David Noble, Pastor  
Morn. Worship... 10:45 a.m.  
Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.

**ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY**  
H.L. Buckner, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Night... 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday Night... 7:00 p.m.

**ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE**  
Allen Richards, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

**ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Billy Janes, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

**ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Kit Johnson, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

**ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Services... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

**ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Lovell Martin, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

**EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST**  
Timothy Williams, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

**FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet 7:30 p.m.

**FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Phillip Adecock, Pastor  
Sunday Morning... 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

**1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD - KINSTON**  
Dannay Bradshaw, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.

**FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Scott Donaldson, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

**FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH**  
Edward E. Drake, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.

**GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH**  
Overseers - Billy Berry  
Sat. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Sun. Service... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.

**GRACE FELLOWSHIP**  
John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

**GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Marvin Luckett Jr., Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

**HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC**  
W. K. Ellison, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Service... 6:00 p.m.

**HAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Morn. Worship... 8:45 a.m.

**HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Shirley Ellis, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

**HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH**  
Mark Cooper, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:30 p.m.  
Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

**HOLY TEMPLE COGIC**  
Glenwood, AL  
Sunday Prayer... 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service... 11:00 a.m.

**INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Wesley D. Ard, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

**INO BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Garry Winstead, Pastor  
Sunday School... 8:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

**JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Matthew Morris, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:15 p.m.

**KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH**  
Heath Fountain, Pastor  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

**LIVING WORD CHURCH**  
Derrick Stinson, Pastor  
Saturday Service... 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Service... 10:30 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Youth Service 6:00 p.m.  
Thurs. Service... 6:00 p.m.

**LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Greg Hanchey, Minister  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

**LOVE'S WAY CHURCH**  
Charles Jones, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

**MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
J. R. Parks, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
1st & 3rd Sundays

**MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Dewey Emfinger, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 5:00 p.m.

**MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Olan Strickland, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

**MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

**MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD**

Tom & Barbara Davis, Interim Pastors  
Sunday School... 9:15 a.m.  
Fellowship... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.  
Wed. Prayer Time... 5:30 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

**Cathedral of the Holy Spirit NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL.**  
Linda Williams, Pastor  
Sunday... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Even... 7:30 p.m.

**NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST - ENTERPRISE**  
W. K. Ellison, Pastor  
Morning Worship... 9:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Tuesday Evening... 7:00 p.m.  
Friday Evening... 7:00 p.m.

**NEWBIA BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Hubert McWaters, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Disciple Train... 5:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

**NEW BROCKTON METHODIST CHURCH**  
Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.

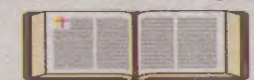
**NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Terry Godwin, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Bible Study... 5:00 p.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:00 p.m.

**NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Randall Pearson, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:30 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:00 p.m.

**NEW GLORIOUS COGIC**  
James Starks Jr., Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Bib. Stud Wed... 6:00 p.m.

**NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Allen Dies, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

**NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH**  
Brad Sasser, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Even. Service 6:30 p.m.



**NEW HOPE BAPT CHURCH**  
Lanny Shepard, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

**NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST**  
Loreal Flowers, Minister  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays

**OLD TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Lee Jones, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

**PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Hubert McWaters, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

**PINEY GROVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD - SAMSON**  
Terry McCrummen, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Worship... 7:00 p.m.

**PRAY & GLORY WORSHIP CENTER**  
Roy L. Turner, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

**ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH**  
A. R. Williams, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays

**ROETON BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Kerry Saxon, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

**SHADY GROVE AME BAPTIST CHURCH**  
James Boots, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

**SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Leon Fortune, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

**TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m.

**CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST**  
Pastor Bishop E.H. Hill  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Noon Worship... 12 noon  
Even. Service... 7:00 p.m.  
Youth Ser. Mon... 7:00 p.m.  
Wed Bible Class... 7:00 p.m.  
Fri Missionary Ser. 7:00 p.m.

**THE WAY OF HOLINESS CHURCH, Elba**  
Max Reed, Minister  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.  
Tuesday Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

**TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
C.P. Davis, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

**VANDERBILT HOLINESS CHURCH**  
Donald Mills, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

**VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:45 p.m.  
Wed. Worship... 7:00 p.m.

**VICTORY TABERNACLE**  
Ruby Lawson, Pastor  
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

**WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Ken Wilson, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

**WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Lucas Taylor, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Tiffany Massey named to UWA's President's List for Spring 2024

Tiffany Massey of Elba, Ala., recently was named to the University of West Alabama's Spring 2024 President's List for superior academic achievement. A Special Education (K-6) major, Massey is a member of the class of 2027. The President's List gives recognition to undergraduate students with exceptionally high grades for the semester, those with grade-point averages of 3.80 or higher, completing at least twelve semester credit hours, with no grade lower than a "C."



**FUN, FOOD, & FELLOWSHIP...**Several members of the Elba High School Class of 1957 gathered recently for food and fellowship at Ms. Linda's restaurant, located on the square in downtown Elba. Those pictured above include: Howard Prescott, Marise Prescott, Cabert Mills, Steve Goodson, Christine Bowden, Becky Coppage, Mary Jon Taylor, Jimmy Boswell, Mary Jo Boswell, Ella Daniels, Elaine Martin, Patsy Goodson, and Ralph Cooper.

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Local students named to UWA's Dean's List for Spring semester

The University of West Alabama recently announced nearly 500 outstanding undergraduate students named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2024 academic semester. Spring 2024 academic honors recipients represent 62 out of 67 Alabama counties and 83 counties from 19 other states.

Bob Bush, DVM

Veterinary Express of Lake Martin

Small Animal Medicine & Surgery

334-343-0408

Intersection of Claxton Ave & Simmons St

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Upcoming Elba Clinics: July 3 & July 17

The Dean's List gives recognition to those undergraduate students those with grade-point averages between 3.25 and 3.79, completing at least twelve semester credit hours, with no grade lower than a "C."

Local area student named to the list included:

• Andrew Crawley of Jack, majoring in Special Education, Class of 2027

• Amber House of Kinston, majoring in Elementary Education, Class of 2026

• Ashley Janes of Elba, majoring in Early Childhood/Elementary Education, Class of 2027

• Brittany Landingham of Kinston, majoring in Early Childhood/Elementary Education, Class of 2027

• Sara Mitchell of Elba, majoring in Early Childhood Education, Class of 2026

LET FREEDOM RING

2024

FOURTH of JULY in DOWNTOWN ELBA

July 4th/6:00 pm

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